

Newsletter 2015

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Introduction

The second half of 2015 was busy at the Centre, with new appointments, grants and students, as well as our annual seminars, projects and events being planned for the forthcoming 50th Anniversary Events in 2016. Our students continue to increase in numbers and do well both in Oxford and beyond, taking up exciting posts in a range of sectors around the world.

Student Community



The Centre welcomed 34 students from around the world to take up the MSc Criminology and Criminal Justice for 2015/16. In addition, seven new students were accepted on the full-time DPhil Criminology programme. Jasmina Arnez progressed from MPhil to DPhil Criminology, whilst Dominic Aitken, Jenna Milani, Laura Tilt and Rob Blakey, were accepted onto the DPhil programme having successfully completed the MSc Criminology and Criminal Justice in 2015. We also welcomed two additional DPhil students, Lyndon Harris and Cian O'Concubhair.

New Part-time DPhil students

The Centre is pleased to have set up its new part time DPhil in Criminology and welcomed two new students; Brett Hartley who is working as a lawyer in London at Clyde & Co LLP where he specializes in trade and energy law; and Arthur Rizer is currently an Associate Professor of Law at the West Virginia University School of Law and a Visiting Professor of Law at the Georgetown.

Stories from our DPhil Students

Congratulations to our DPhil candidate Rudina Jasini on passing her DPhil with no corrections! Congratulations also go to Jasmina Arnez and Arushi Garg who have passed their MPhils without corrections.

Alice Gerlach and Richard Martin have both successfully applied to the DTC Overseas Institutional Visit Scheme and will be heading off to Australia.

Visiting Programme

The Centre welcomed new Academic Visitors during the Trinity and Michaelmas Terms and we continue to benefit from a lively visiting scholars community. Ana Ballesteros Rena, Anna Eriksson, Catarina Frois, Renee Jeffery, and Vanessa Barker, have all contributed to the intellectual life of the Centre.

Green Criminologists

Earlier this year our budding criminologists noticed the plants in the Centre were looking less than green. Knowing what can happen when one's environment falls into disrepair the students and staff used all the self efficacy they could muster, and, breaking from their routine activities, took it upon themselves to reinvigorate the shrubbery. In the end it was the only rational choice, because don't we all dream of a garden to make our neighbours green with envy?



Events and Seminars

Oxford Transitional Justice Seminar Series



OTJR's activities continue to attract a large, interdisciplinary audience in Oxford and beyond. In Trinity Term 2015, OTJR organized 11 seminars including talks by Professor Mark Osiel (Professor of Law, University of Iowa) and Professor Jo-Anne Wemmers (Professor of Criminology, Université de Montréal). As part of an ESRC-funded project, we also organized an interactive expert workshop with more than 50 participants on 'Innovative Media for Change: A Debate between Journalists, Academics and Practitioners on Transitional Justice, Media and Conflict' which took place on 22 and 23 June in Oxford (see photo). We are currently finalizing a handbook based on the workshop discussions which develops 'good practices'

for the cooperation between academics, journalists and practitioners in transitional justice processes. OTJR also had a strong start into Michaelmas Term 2015: a packed room of academics and students critically discussed whether and how the Special Tribunal for Lebanon can fight terrorism through the rule of law and vividly engaged with Judge Cuno Tarfusser on the achievements and challenges of the International Criminal Court (ICC).

Thames Valley Police Seminars

The Thames Valley Police Seminar is an excellent example of how institutions and university departments can develop and foster mutually beneficial relationships. Over the years the event has reflected the broad range of research conducted at the Centre, highlighting a range of contemporary criminal justice issues.

This year's seminar, held on Wednesday, 23 September in the Manor Road Building, enjoyed presentations on a diverse range of topics, including: 'DNA Profiling of Suspects' (Ben Bradford, and Ilina Singh and Seena Fazel from the Dept of Psychiatry), 'Policing Human Trafficking' (Dr Paolo from Cambridge), 'Policing Migration' (Mary Bosworth), 'Policing Child Sexual Exploitation' (Alpa Parmar), and 'The Politics of Policing' (Ian Loader). A selection of our DPhil students also presented on a number of

topics; 'Police Diversion and Restorative Justice: A story from Northants' from Roxana Willis, 'The experience of children whose mothers are arrested' by Shona Minson and 'Policing Human Rights: What role does human rights play in how officers do policing?' from Richard Martin.



All Souls Seminars

This year, our Criminology Seminar series included presentations from Alison Leibling, Brandon Garrett, Rachel Condry, Jennifer Fleetwood, Sharon Shalev and Vanessa Barker. Listen to the seminars on our Criminology iTunes account.

Events and Seminars

Informal Seminar Series

The Informal Seminar Series offers an important opportunity for staff and visiting fellows to present on their emerging research. In Trinity Term 2015 we had a number of varied topics including; 'Do migrants trust police best? Evidence from two case studies in Great Britain and Spain' (Ben Bradford); 'The challenge of multiple parentages' (Karen Abrams); 'Custody and beyond' (Sarah Turnbull, Alpa Parmar & Ines Hasselberg); and 'Towards a better politics of law' (Ian Loader). In Michaelmas Term, we had Ben Bradford discussing 'Public support for violent policing: legitimacy, social identity & the acceptance of the use of force' and Naomi-Ellen Speechley discussing 'Practical difficulties in asking awkward questions to a sensitive sample on a contentious issue'. We also had Renee Jeffrey from Griffith University, Australia discussing the topic 'Trading amnesty for impunity in Timor-Leste'.

Leverhulme International Network on External Border Control

The Leverhulme International Network on External Border Control brings together research groups at the University of Oxford, University of Oslo, and Monash University working on border control to better understand and respond to the challenges posed by mass mobility. It recently hosted two workshops in Oslo and Oxford in June 2015 that were specifically designed to mentor and support emerging interdisciplinary scholars and engage with practitioners. The third and final workshop will be held in February 2016 at Monash University, Melbourne. Papers from the three events will, in due course, appear in an edited volume on research methods.



The Leverhulme Trust

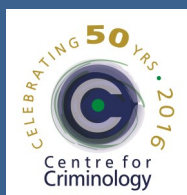


50th Anniversary Events 2015

2016 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Centre for Criminology. The Faculty of Law has put together an exciting programme of events and activities to commemorate the Centre's anniversary and to capture life at the Centre in 2016; see www.law.ox.ac.uk/crim50

Hilary Term 2016

50th Anniversary Lectures
Criminology GTC Conference
Howard League Conference Drinks Reception



Trinity Term 2016

Annual Roger Hood Public Lecture
Alumni Reunion Tea Party
Criminal Justice Conference
50th Anniversary Lectures

Michaelmas Term 2016

Academic Conference

Launch of *Punish and Expel*

In June 2015 Border Criminologies, as part of the Leverhulme International Network on External Border Control, celebrated the launch of Oxford Law DPhil alumna Emma Kaufman's book, *Punish and Expel: Border Control, Nationalism, and the New Purpose of the Prison* (Oxford University Press, 2015). Mary Bosworth, Ines Hasselberg and Thomas Ugelvik (University of Tromsø) acted as discussants. Offering the first comprehensive account of the imprisonment of non-citizens in the United Kingdom, *Punish and Expel* draws on extensive empirical data, based on fieldwork in five men's prisons, to explore the relationship between punishment and citizenship. Emma recently completed a law degree at Yale Law School and has authored numerous articles on punishment and border control.

Conferences and Workshops

2015 Annual Conference of the European Society of Criminology (ESC)

The 2015 annual conference of the European Society of Criminology (ESC) was held in September in sunny Porto, Portugal. Several members of the Centre for Criminology attended and contributed to the conference as panel organisers, presenters, and chairs. Papers were presented conference by Centre members Ines Hasselberg, Ben Bradford, Sharon Shalev, Jasmina Arnez, Julia Viebach, Richard Martin, Sarah Turnbull and Carolyn Hoyle with Mai Sato.

CEPOL Annual European Police Research Conference

Ben Bradford was invited to give a presentation to the CEPOL Annual European Police Research Conference, held in Lisbon in October.

Secondary Trauma Workshops

The Centre for Criminology ran a series of introductory workshops on secondary traumatization on four dates in Michaelmas Term. The workshops were aimed at social sciences researchers who were spending time during their fieldwork talking with people who have lived traumatic experiences, or those who were supervising such researchers. The workshops were facilitated by Dr Camilla Stack, a counselling psychologist and psychotherapist with experience of working with trauma in both clinical and research settings.

Discretion and Decision-Making at the CCRC

In November, Carolyn Hoyle gave a presentation on 'Discretion and Decision-Making at the CCRC' to the annual conference of the Criminal Appeal Lawyers Association and Centre for Criminal Appeals.



The Death Penalty in China

Carolyn Hoyle gave a paper on 'The Death Penalty in China: Emerging Interest in Human Rights?' to a conference on 'Barriers to Abolition: A Global Perspective on the Death Penalty' hosted by the University of Nottingham Human Rights Law centre on 22 October 2015.

From the Field

Earlier this year one of our DPhil students, Alice Gerlach, went on a two-month field trip to Kingston, Jamaica. There she interviewed women removed to Jamaica who had spent time in immigration detention in the United Kingdom. In the following link she reflects on her time there, focusing on her own safety and that of the women she interviewed: <https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/research-subject-groups/centre-criminology/centreborder-criminologies/blog/2015/10/field-safety>

Publications

Chris Giacomantonio

Chris Giacomantonio has published his new book [*Policing Integration: The Sociology of Police Coordination Work*](#). Chris completed his DPhil in criminology at Oxford in 2013 under Professor Ian Loader, and his doctoral research forms the basis for *Policing Integration*. He is currently an analyst at RAND Europe, a not-for-profit policy research institute based in Cambridge, UK.

Sarah Turnbull

Sarah has recently published a paper entitled "Stuck in the middle": Waiting and uncertainty in Immigration detention,' which is forthcoming in a special issue of *Time & Society*. The paper draws on her postdoctoral research project to explore the themes of waiting and uncertainty in British immigration removal centres.

Sylvia Rich

Sylvia a DPhil student at the Centre for Criminology, has had an article accepted in the *Canadian Journal of Law and Jurisprudence*. It is forthcoming in February 2016, and the article is entitled 'Corporate Criminals and Punishment Theory'.

Rachel Condry

Rachel Condry has a new publication from her ongoing research on adolescent to parent violence. Miles, C. and Condry, R. (2015) 'Responding to adolescent to parent violence: challenges for policy and practice', *British Journal of Criminology*, 55 (6): 1076-1095 .

Mary Bosworth

In 2015 Mary contributed to a number of edited collections drawing on her fieldwork in immigration detention centres. Some of her chapters include: 'Immigration Detention, Ambivalence and the Colonial Other,' In A. Eriksson (Ed.). *Punishing the Other*. Abingdon: Routledge; 'Immigration Detention and the Expansion of Penal Power in the UK.' In K. Reiter and A. Koenig. (Eds.). *Extreme Punishment*. London: Palgrave (with Sarah Turnbull) and *Immigration Detention in Britain and Greece* in D. Epps and R. Furman (Eds.). *Detaining the Immigrant Other: Global and Transnational Issues*. New York: Oxford University Press (with Andriani Fili). Various other journal articles are forthcoming in 2016.

Ben Bradford

Ben was co-author on two papers published in a special edition of *Journal of Contemporary Criminal Justice* in May: '[Obeying the rules of the road](#)' and '[Community norms, procedural justice and the public's perceptions of police legitimacy](#)'. He also contributed a chapter to *Stop and Search: The Anatomy of a Police Power* (Delsol, R. and Shiner, M.eds); and, with Sarah MacQueen, a chapter on crime victims surveys to [Oxford Handbooks Online: Criminology and Criminal Justice](#).

Carolyn Hoyle

Carolyn Hoyle and Fernanda Fonseca Rosenblatt have published an article on 'Looking back to the future: Threats to the Success of Restorative Justice in the United Kingdom', *Victims and Offenders: An International Journal of Evidence-based Research Policy and Practice* 2016'

People

Roger Hood

The Centre for Criminology's Professor Roger Hood was recently invited by the Law Commission of India to participate in a one-day roundtable consultation on the death penalty held in Delhi, where he was the only person invited from outside of India. He was also invited by the Commission, in association with the National Law University and the OP Jindal Global University, to deliver a public lecture on the evening prior to the Consultation. It was attended by members of the Law Commission, the judiciary, senior lawyers, parliamentarians, academics, NGOs, and the media. Following this, in December 2015, Carolyn Hoyle was part of a 3-day seminar on the death penalty in India, co-hosted by NLU Delhi and the Death Penalty Project, London, and funded by the Swiss Embassy.

Francesca Menichelli

Francesca is a British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow at the Centre for Criminology, which she joined at the beginning of September. Her research adopts a comparative perspective in order to analyse how security has opened up new spaces for governing in Italy, France, and England and Wales. The project looks at the networks established in each country for the production and governance of security in order to understand the role they have played in the reconfiguration of relationships between different levels of government and the transformation of how power and authority are distributed between them.

Julian Roberts

This summer, Julian Roberts taught sentencing classes at the Nordic Law seminar in Eastern Finland and the Academy of European Law in Athens. He also made presentations at the annual meeting of the National Association of Sentencing Commissions in Alaska, the Department of Criminal Justice, Loyola University, and the Faculty of Law, Indiana University.

Ben Bradford

Ben started two new research consultancies in the late summer. The first is *Moving forward: Bringing about change in interrogation practice*, a project funded by the FBI/High-Value Detainee Interrogation Group and led by Maria Hartwig of John Jay University; the second is the College of Policing funded *Stop and search training evaluation*, led by RAND Europe.

Ian Loader

The [Howard League for Penal Reform](#) will relaunch their journal as the (*Howard Journal of Crime and Justice*) in 2016. Professor Loader, has been announced as the editor of the journal. The Howard League have released a [statement](#) about the relaunch in which Ian said: "This is an exciting and unique opportunity to develop the Howard Journal of Crime and Justice into an influential international journal at the forefront of thinking about ideas and issues that impact on crime and justice globally. There is a sense that this is the time to reconsider how we approach crime and justice, not just in the UK but around the world, in the wake of austerity and diminishing justice budgets as well as the implications of the reduced rates of crime. This journal has the capacity to be at the forefront developing, rethinking and challenging the basis of future ideas." In a recent podcast Ian outlined the editorial ambitions for the journal. You can watch it [here](#).

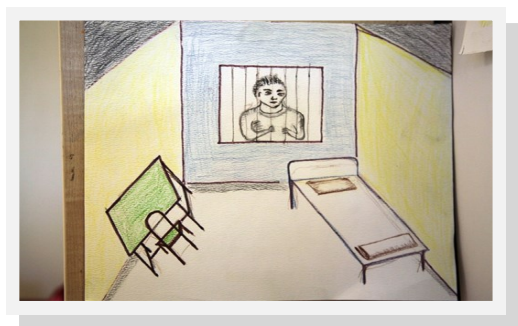
David Doyle

David spent the last 20 months as an IRC Marie Curie Elevate Fellow at the Centre for Criminology. As an early career scholar at the Centre, he worked closely with Professor Mary Bosworth, and has written that he "was privileged to work in such a supportive environment where he was surrounded by really ambitious, energetic, international scholars and students on a day-to-day basis". This experience has had a very positive influence on his career development and in the 20 months that he was affiliated with the Centre he published two articles in international peer-review journals, drafted a book manuscript, became an Associate Fellow of the UK Higher Education Academy and secured a permanent lectureship at Maynooth University in Ireland.

Border Criminologies

Immigration Detention Archive

The image below is just one of hundreds of images in the Immigration Detention Archive compiled by the Border Criminologies research group. This particular one was made in the Colnbrook Immigration Removal Centre (IRC), beside Heathrow airport where, since August, artist Khadija von Zinnenburg Carroll has been running weekly art workshops. Working with Mary Bosworth, Alice Gerlach, Sarah Turnbull and Dominic Aitken, Khadija is compiling, cataloguing and archiving visual and material evidence of the experience of being inside immigration detention. The Immigration Detention Archive is supported by the European Research Council and welcomes appropriate donations of new material. For more information contact: khadija.carroll@crim.ox.ac.uk



Publishing

With funding from the Leverhulme International Network on External Border Control, Border Criminologies continues to publish the first open access journal on the intersections between criminal justice and migration control. The SSRN Criminal Justice, Borders & Citizenship Research Paper Series showcases interdisciplinary research on the intersections between criminal justice and migration control, making all papers freely available via the open access platform of SSRN. In 2015 Border Criminologies moved to the new Law Faculty website. In addition to our active web presence, we have invited a number of scholars to Oxford to discuss their research. More information about the program of events can be found on our website: <https://www.law.ox.ac.uk/research-subject-groups/centre-criminology/>



The Border Criminologies group at the Centre continues to grow. Dominic Aitken has commenced his DPhil on suicide in custody, in which he will compare prison and detention policies. We have also recently been joined by Dr Khadija Carroll who is working with Mary on the Immigration Detention Archive project. In 2015-16 we welcome Dr Alpa Parmar as a new Associate Director at Border Criminologies. Alpa is undertaking a new project with Mary Bosworth on policing migration in the Thames Valley starting in Michaelmas Term, funded by the John Fell Fund.

The Border Criminologies blog is running several themed series of posts in Michaelmas Term that are organised by a specialist and tackle diverse topics, including: volunteering in British immigration detention, the 'illegality industry' of border control, decision-making on the Dutch borderlands, human smuggling, and staff perspectives. Please follow us on Twitter and Facebook to keep up-to-date on our events and research.